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ATTENTION: MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): **Regis Phillip Renaud**

For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR TREATING REFUSE WITH STEAM**

Enclosed are:

- (X) A Specification in twenty-three (23) pages.
- (X) Ten (10) sheets of formal drawings.
- (X) This application is a continuation in part of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/283,399, filed on October 29, 2002, which is a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/838,442, filed on April 19, 2001, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/198,196, filed on April 19, 2000.
- (X) Return prepaid postcard.

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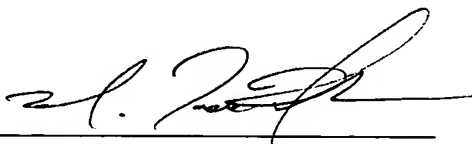
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